

Ellingham VC Primary and Woodton Primary Schools

SCHOOL DRESS CODE POLICY – Pupils

Pride in their appearance helps pupils to have pride in themselves. The wearing of a school uniform also provides children with a sense of belonging to a community. The community of Ellingham and Woodton Schools are one in which each individual is proud to belong; a community where all individuals are encouraged to aim high. Pupils are expected to wear uniform for the following beneficial reasons:-

1. To promote a sense of identity.
2. Smart appearance.
3. To remove competition regarding fashion trends.
4. Economy.

We utilise the general colours of grey and blue/maroon. Our recommendations for summer and winter dress are

Winter Uniform – Autumn and Spring Terms

Blue (Ellingham) or Maroon (Woodton) pullover, cardigan or sweatshirt (preferably with school logo)

White shirt or polo shirt (preferably with school logo)

Grey trousers or skirt or pinafore

Sensible flat black shoes (not training shoes or boots)

White or grey socks / Black or grey tights

Optional Summer Uniform – Summer Term

Blue (Ellingham) or Maroon (Woodton) pullover, cardigan or sweatshirt (preferably with school logo)

White shirt or polo shirt (preferably with school logo)

Grey trousers or skirt or tailored shorts

Blue and white checked dress (Ellingham)

Maroon/Red and white check dress (Woodton)

Sensible flat black shoes (not training shoes or boots)

White or grey socks

During wet or snowy weather wellies or boots can be worn to get to and from school but school shoes must be brought to change into once in school.

- School uniform embroidered with the relevant school's logo is available to purchase from Tesco.
- **All items of clothing and equipment should be clearly marked with the child's name.**

Hair:

Long hair should be tied back. Hair accessories should be minimal and preferably in school colours. Hair should be kept out of children's eyes using headbands, clips and slides; again preferably using school colours. During term time pupils should refrain from fashion hairstyles which include: shaved, dyed or streaked hair, beading, patterns, mohawks, lines and tramlines.

Physical Education

Our PE kit is **plain white T-shirt and navy shorts, pumps in a drawstring bag**. Trainers and a plain tracksuit for outdoor sports activities are encouraged.

All items of clothing and equipment should be clearly marked with the child's name.

Earrings must be removed on the day of PE. Staff are unable to remove them, so please take them out before school.

Children will be involved in active lessons outside and occasionally this may mean playing sports on a muddy field! It is expected that every child has a PE kit for every PE lesson.

Swimming Lessons

Please note that **all pupils, boys and girls, must wear a swimming cap**. Girls must wear a full costume (no bikinis) and boys must wear trunks (not shorts).

Pupils will not be allowed into the swimming pool if they are wearing any jewellery - all items must be removed before leaving school.

If your child wishes to wear swimming goggles during the lesson, a parent or guardian must complete a permission slip, which can be obtained from the school office. This must be returned to the class teacher prior to the commencement of the swimming lessons.

Please ensure that all swimming kit, including bags, are clearly marked with your child's name as it is extremely difficult to trace lost items if they are not labelled correctly.

Body Piercing

Any form of body piercing (studs, rings, pins, etc.) presents health and safety problems. The school policy is to follow the guidance set out in the B.A.A.L.P.E. Document (The British Association of Advisers and Lecturers in Physical Education). **All** forms of body piercing **MUST** be removed before children take part in physical education or undertake any physical activities. If the body piercing is not removed the child will **NOT** be allowed to take part in any physical education lesson or activity.

Jewellery, Make-up and Nails

The wearing of jewellery, except for plain stud earrings and watches, is not allowed on both safety and administrative grounds.

Pupils are not allowed to wear make-up or false nails to school. Pupils are often required to engage in practical activities and thus the length of finger nails should reflect this. False nails are not suitable and nail paint should only be of the transparent lacquer type.

Loom bands are not permitted in school and loom band jewellery should not be worn.

Religious symbols: Children are permitted to wear items which are classed as religious symbols, after discussion with the Headteacher.